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SUBJECT: NEW PLO COMPLAINT TO ARAB LEAGUE AGAINST JORDAN

1. AHRAM MARCH 2 REPORTS PLO CAIRO REPS DELIVERED PREVIOUS DAY TO ACTING ARAB LEAGUE SYG A MEMORANDUM CALLING FOR ACTION TO BE TAKEN AGAINST "TIMING AND TARGETS" OF JORDANIAN POLICY. REPORTEDLY, MEMORANDUM DECLARED RECONVENING OF JORDANIAN PARLIAMENT REPRESENTED A FIRST STEP IN EFFORT UNDERMINE RABAT SUMMIT DECISION TO ACKNOWLEDGE PLO AS SOLE REP OF PALESTINIANS. THIS JORDANIAN STEP CAME AT TIME ALL OUT EFFORTS WERE UNDERWAY TO END LEBANESE BLOODSHED AND JUST AFTER US VETO IN UNSC ON PALESTINIAN ISSUE. RECONVENING OF PARLIAMENT "CROWNED PREVIOUS EXCESSES," SUCH AS GOJ'S ABANDONING OF RABAT COMMITMENTS TO SUPPORT PLO AND ALSO GOJ EXCUSES TO EVADE FOUR POWER MEETINGS (EGYPT, JORDAN, SYRIA, PLO) STIPULATED
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BY ARTICLE IV OF RABAT RESOLUTION. MEMORANDUM CONCLUDED

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THAT GOJ HAS NOT PUT INTO EFFECT SINGLE ARTICLE AGREED
AT RABAT AND RECENT ACTIONS BY AMMAN CONSTITUTE GRAVE BLOW
TO ARAB UNITY. ARAB LEAGUE SYG SHOULD INFORM ALL MEMBER
STATES OF MEMORANDUM "SO THAT NECESSARY ACTION CAN BE
TAKEN TO ENFORCE RABAT DECISIONS..."

2. COMMENT: PLO CAIRO OFFICE REPS HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN
REPORTED TO HAVE DELIVERED SOMEWHAT SIMILAR MEMORANDUM TO ARAB
LEAGUE SYG (CAIRO 1898), ALTHOUGH SENIOR ARAB LEAGUE
OFFICIALS TOLD US AT THAT TIME THAT FIRST MEMORANDUM WAS
IN FACT AN "INFORMAL" AIDE MEMOIRE.

3. PRESENT MEMORANDUM, IF CORRECTLY REPORTED BY AHRAM,
GOES MUCH FURTHER SINCE IT CALLS FOR ARAB LEAGUE "ACTION"
AGAINST GOJ.
EILTS

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